

Hospital Comments on Quality and Cost

Heart Attack (Acute Myocardial Infarction)

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Berkshire Medical Center

Berkshire Medical Center received the American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines Coronary Artery Disease Performance Achievement Award in 2005. BMC has been awarded this recognition for 5 years in a row. 2006 BMC was awarded High Reliability for Cardiac Care in Massachusetts by MassPRO. BMC achieved Top Performer Status in first two years of the Hospital Quality Incentive Demonstration Project.

Brockton Hospital

Brockton Hospital submits data on patient outcomes and processes for the national project on Acute Myocardial Infarction.

Caritas St. Elizabeth's Medical Center

AMI: 18/173

Sturdy Memorial Hospital

Most Acute Myocardial Infarction (AMI) patients present in the emergency room. At Sturdy we have a very effective and appropriate triage protocol that allows for rapid and appropriate transfer to tertiary care centers of those patients that require and would benefit from interventional cardiac care. The posted mortality rate represents 13 patients with an average age of 81 years, and seven of them requested Do Not Resuscitate orders or Comfort Measures Only. We are honoring our patients' wishes. This is an important role played by all community hospitals.

Winchester Hospital

Winchester Hospital's mortality rate is statistically consistent with expectations, and our estimated cost per procedure is within the lowest 25% of hospitals in the study.